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Culminating a 6-month assessment effort by Control Data Corporation's (CDC) Engineering Management Operations (EMO), the report was prepared to help meet the Department of Agriculture's need for an assessment of (1) rural health care services research as a whole and (2) the knowledge contained in that research. The CDC "Final Report" was presented in a large volume in order to make the entire data base available for different policy uses, assessment methodological applications, and further discussions. Prepared by EMO after the completion of the Final Report, this executive summary further explains the presumptions, assumptions, methodologies, conclusions, and recommendations of that report. Policy-relevant findings of the assessment are summarized and clarified by: (1) presenting the models and objectives (values) used in the systems approach which produced the Final Report's recommendations; and (2) demonstrating a potential systems approach to the utilization of the Final Report's data base elements toward the goal of achieving a comprehensive knowledge assessment. The accepted research publications are categorized by: (1) indepth subject category and (2) document access number. (NQ)

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Introduction

The Assessment of Rural Health Research, Final Report, {Final Report} culminated a modest six month assessment effort by Control Data Corporation's {CDC's} Engineering Management Operations {EMO} for the United States Department of Agriculture's Office of Planning & Evaluation {OPE} to help meet the Department's need for an assessment of rural health care services research as a whole and an assessment of the knowledge contained in that research. This need was mandated by Sections 104, 118 and 603 of the Rural Development Act of 1972, which respectively:

- o Authorized loans to rural communities for development of essential community facilities {including health facilities}.
- o Authorized loans to private entrepreneurs for the establishment of business or industrial enterprises {including health facilities}.
- o Authorized and directed the Secretary of Agriculture to coordinate the various Federal rural development programs {including rural development research of which rural health is a component}.

Section 603 requirements were delegated to the Under Secretary of Rural Development and portions further delegated to the Rural Development Service {RDS}.

The CDC Final Report was presented in a large volume in order to make the entire data base available for different policy uses, different assessment methodological applications and further discussions. The Final Report will be available shortly through the NTIS and possibly the ERIC technical information systems. This Executive Summary was prepared by EMO after the completion of the Final Report. It was prompted by the perceived need to further explain the presumptions, assumptions, methodologies, conclusions and recommendations of that Final Report. It will summarize and clarify policy-relevant findings of the assessment by:

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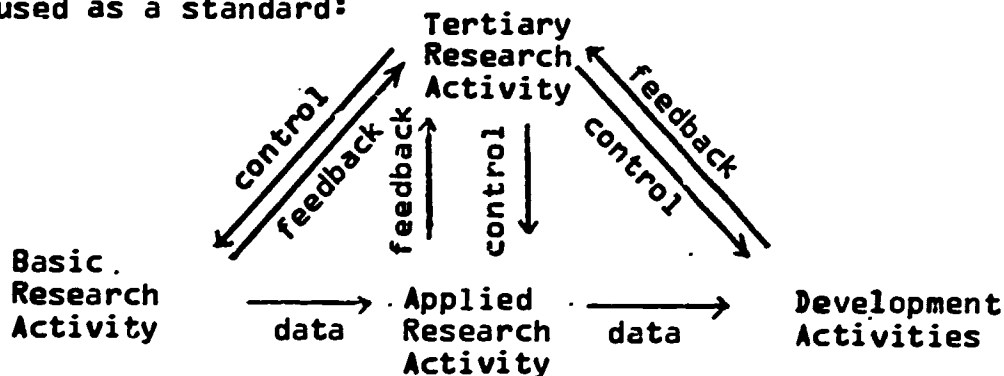
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- o Presenting the models and objectives {values} used in the systems approach which produced the recommendations of the Final Report {Section 12}.
- o Demonstrating a potential systems approach to the utilization of the data base elements of the Final Report toward the goal of achieving a comprehensive knowledge assessment. Such an effort ideally would be institutionalized.

The Systems Approach to Research

This systems approach to research is referred to hereafter as "tertiary research." "Tertiary research" denotes the monitoring, collecting, classifying and aggregating of basic and applied research documents as well as development documents.* In systems terminology, this tertiary research would be synonymous to a formalized feedback network controlled by definitive policy goals and/or knowledge needs. This approach should ideally be used in administering and planning any sizeable research and development program by the administrative body in control of the allocation of research funds.

Conceptually this "tertiary research" is integrated into a "social action" policy planning process, impacting the three levels of creative policy planning as described by Erich Jantsch — the normative {the "ought"}, strategic {the "can"} and the operational {the "will"}.** In assessing the rural health care research programs, the following research and development model was used as a standard:



* This assessment study would be classified as tertiary research, but of a preliminary nature. This will be discussed further later.

** "Social Action" concept as described in the Final Report pages 2-4 and 5-1 corresponds roughly to Erich Jantsch's "rational creative action" {"From Forecasting & Planning to Policy Sciences", Policy Sciences 1 {1970}, 31-47.}

Specifically the ideal "tertiary research" activity is composed of the following:

- o a "normative" policy expressing the "oughts" or specific values which reflect directly on the problems, here the rural health problems. This would include "normative" statements on the desired quality of rural health and possible rural health services models to attain such a level.
- o a technical information system, which collects, classifies and aggregates research and development documents producing policy inputs and receiving policy feedback.
- o a Management Information System, which collects research administration data on ongoing and past research and development activities.

NASA's research and development program is an example of such a "tertiary research" program. In NASA's tertiary research mechanism its Scientific and Technical Information Facility performs the function of a Technical Information system. This "tertiary research" concept is described further in the final section of this summary.

Limitations Affecting Design & Data of Study

The assessment "system" was limited and thus its design and data affected by the following factors:

- o limited assessment resource funding by USDA.
- o limited time.
- o fragmentation/scattering of rural health research {final reports and publications} among countless periodicals, technical information systems, and the strong prospect that a majority of research is not disseminated in periodicals or technical information systems.
- o lack of a structured USDA {or DHEW} rural health "normative" policy and thus specific rural health policy needs and non needs.
- o a vacuum of research methodologies heretofore for a "knowledge assessment" of rural health research.

To deal with the first three limitations {resources, time and fragmentation/scattering of the research} several trade-offs were jointly planned and approved by EMO, OPE and several knowledgeable individuals in other USDA agencies. These trade-offs are presented in the Final Report and the reader is referred to

Section 2, page 2-3 to 2-12 of that report. Summarily they were: limiting the search to documents which were available in the District of Columbia area information systems and limiting the research site to within the United States and its territories, and limiting the documents' publishing date to post-December 31, 1969. Originally only publications from completed research or completed significant substages of research were to be surveyed. However during the assessment effort it was decided by CDC and OPE to include a limited assessment of ongoing research to provide a more complete view of the rural health care situation.

Regarding the fourth limitation (lack of structured USDA rural health policy and thus specific policy knowledge needs), EMO conducted a two part task to fill this void. This further defined and refined the objectives of the study and indicated tentative policy knowledge needs (see Section 2, pages 2-1 to 2-2).

The first part of this task was an informal interviewing of several key public sector (USDA & DHEW) and private sector people related to or responsible for rural health care services. The consensus of this informal interviewing was that the assessment effort would be useful if it:

- o Inventoried (listed) research of rural health care services,
- o Identified problem-oriented research of depth and quality for use to decision-makers, i.e., research in which alternative courses of action are compared in terms of desired outcomes, subject to the constraints of resources and value preferences,
- o Evaluated this problem-oriented research as to quality.

This informal interviewing also brought forward two hypotheses to be discussed later.

The second part of this task was a review of pending Congressional legislation relevant to rural health administrative actions and relevant to rural health agency actions. Three general national health goals were derived; they are improvement of access, assurance of quality and containment of costs. The results of this two-part effort were used to mitigate the limiting effects of unstructured USDA rural health policy and thus define the knowledge needs that may be of use when USDA does formulate such a structured rural health policy.

The last limitation deserves more explanation. In the history of health services research, no convention of tools, characteristics and procedures has been formulated to be used in a so-called "knowledge assessment" of health care services

or the subcomponent rural health care services. Health Services Research and R&D in Perspective edited by E.E. Flook and P.J. Sanazaro cites this problem and presents the precursors of such a convention. Any "ideal" knowledge assessment would involve aggregating the data elements in the research documents identified and comparing these aggregated data elements with models of the "ideal" rural health care services delivery system components. Such an "ideal" knowledge assessment is beyond the current "state of the art" of rural health care services methodologies because of a lack of health services research aggregating methodologies.

Consequently the fifth limitation [a vacuum of "knowledge assessment" rural health services methodologies]-was handled by surveying what methodologies existed and formulating a knowledge assessment aggregating framework from data elements of relevant papers. These papers were identified through an independent literature search without publishing date limitations, i.e., pre-1970 papers were included.* This knowledge assessment framework and a demonstration of its utilization will be presented later in this summary by applying a model of an "ideal" rural health care services delivery system.

These five limitations led to recommendations 1, 4 and 6 presented in Final Report, Section 12.

Recommendation 1} "The creation of a comprehensive rural health policy with a supporting, i.e., complementary rural health care management information system and evaluation techniques." More specifically this system would be both a management information system and a technical information system.

Recommendation 4} "The need for applied research into a method of aggregating the results of rural health care services research into a structured scientific model of the existing rural health care services system".

Recommendation 6} "The need to explain to researchers the importance of disseminating their research publications [and especially final reports] to the national information systems or to a rural health care services management information system, i.e., increase the 'social action' consciousness of rural health care services researchers."

These recommendations as well as others will be reinforced later in this summary.

Definitions

This assessment study concentrated on "problem-oriented" research. To do this two series of classifications were

* See attached bibliography of these papers.

established to reflect the attributes of a specific research study which may increase its usefulness as input into the further understanding of and/or the improvement of rural health services. The first series, research type, is based on the specific research's stated or implied objective(s) and is either Sociomedical {SM} or Research and Development {R&D} {See pages 2-4 to 2-5}. In a simplistic sense, the basic difference between SM and R&D is the time frame in which change can be expected. The R&D studies are concerned with improvements which can be implemented in the short run while the SM studies are concerned with long-range plans and policies.

The second series, outcome type, is based on the specific research's conclusions and results and is either Fact Description {FD}, Problem Analysis {PA}, Recommendation {R} or Other {O}. Each relevant study is classified by research type and outcome type. Thus these series combine the strict conventional conceptions of "research" with those of "development". In the resulting classification spectrum interfaces between research and development activities are less distinct but functionally more indicative of that activity's social action orientation.

However the relationship between this classification system and the conventional conceptions of research and development must be specified not only to communicate the findings more universally but to provide a framework to compare rural health care services and development with research and development efforts in other areas, e.g., the life sciences. This transformation is done visually using the abbreviations presented above.

SM/FD R&D/FD }	Basic Research
SM/PA SM/R }	Applied Research
R&D/PA R&D/R }	Development

It should be noted that documents classified as SM/O and R&D/O are in the strictest sense not research or development. These categories were included to meet the contractor's wish for documented analytical essays and as an overflow classification for miscellaneous but interesting documents.

Basic Research {SM/FD, R&D/FD} "is concerned with exploration of the unknown. It is primarily motivated by the desire to pursue knowledge for its own sake. As such, it is free from the need to meet immediate objectives, but is undertaken to increase the understanding of natural laws. This kind of knowledge discovered through basic research forms a groundwork for subsequent applications, which produce economic growth and material progress and

can lead to improvements in social conditions"*

Applied Research {SM/PA, SM/R} "is concerned with funding the means for meeting a recognized need. It draws upon the general principles established by basic research investigations and in turn creates additional knowledge. It differs from basic research in that it is oriented toward practical applications rather than toward investigation for its own sake. In the course of applied research activity the first pilot steps may be taken to reduce an abstract idea to a useful purpose, frequently as a forerunner to development."**

Development {R&D/PA, R&D/R} "is the systematic use of knowledge and understanding gained from research and directed to the production of useful materials, devices, systems and methods; such work includes the design, testing and improvement of prototypes and processes. Development is directed to generally predictable and very specific ends, and because such work results so often in tangible products, it can be readily associated with distinct national goals."*** In the case of rural health care services research and development such national goals might be equality of access, assurance of quality and containment of costs.

Assessment of Rural Health Care Research - Overview Findings

Only federally funded activity will be addressed here because of its pragmatic policy relevancy. Of 321 documents {periodical articles and final reports} which met all screening criteria, 47 are "other" outcome types leaving 274 which are strictly research and development documents. Note the funding source distribution of these 274 documents.

Funding	Basic Research		Applied Research		Development	
	whole	% partial	whole	% partial	whole	partial
Federal Government	52.5	40.8	44.8	41.2	67.5	41.2
Regional Government	3.8	14.8	1.3	5.9	4.1	11.7
State Government	12.5	18.5	21.0	11.7	4.1	11.7
Local Government	-	3.7	2.6	-	2.0	11.7
Educational Institutions	10.0	18.5	13.0	23.6	10.0	6.0
Private {Associations, Businesses, Foundations & Funds}	2.5	13.7	7.9	17.6	2.0	11.7
Other	18.7	-	9.2	-	10.0	6.0

*Federal Funds for Research, Development and Other Activities, Volume XVIII, NSF, Washington, D.C., 1969, page 10.

**Ibid, page 14

***Ibid, page 19

The federal government, basically DHEW, USDA and OEO, dominates "basic and applied research" and, as expected, especially dominates "development". Overall 143 or 52.2% of the strictly research and development documents are federally funded wholly or partially. This domination is reinforced by observing that "Regional Government" includes Regional Medical Programs {RMP}, Comprehensive Health Planning {CHP} and other federally supported planning and implementation groups.

The basic, applied and development distribution of federally funded research and development is as follows:

	No.	%
Development	45	31.5
Applied	47	32.8
Basic	51	35.7
	<u>143</u>	<u>100</u>

The geographic scope of this federally funded activity, that is the site to which it was addressed, is as follows:

Geographic Scope	Basic Research		Applied Research		Development	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
National	9	17.7	13	27.8	8	17.8
Regional	7	13.7	6	12.8	3	6.7
State	4	8.0	12	25.4	9	20.0
Local	<u>31</u>	<u>60.6</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>34.0</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>55.5</u>
	51	100	47	100	45	100

As mentioned previously, the informal interviewing activities set forth two hypotheses. The hypotheses are:

- 1) Basic research substantiating deficiencies in rural health care services research is abundant.
- 2) Applied research into the operating relationships of the rural health care services "system" and about alternative operating improvements for decision making is lacking. Thus design, testing and improvement of prototypes and processes {"development" in the present terminology} would be included in this category.

The assessment effort experience substantiates these hypotheses.

For example, consider that the Cooperative State Research Service {CSRS} is representative of USDA rural health care services research funding authority and the Health Services and Mental Health Administration {HSMHA} is representative of DHEW

rural health care services research funding authority. Then the total and social sciences subtotal budgetary obligations for fiscal 1970 {"social sciences" because of its disciplinary domination of rural health care services research} in thousands of dollars is as follows:

	Basic Research*		Applied Research**		Development***	
	total	social sciences	total	social sciences	total	social sciences
CSRS	23,663	5,261	38,607	8,584	{none designated}	
HSMHA	43,615	7,103	128,361	13,008	9,534 {not broken out}	

This pattern of basic research, applied research and development relative funding proportions follows the federal obligated budgetary allocation omitting NASA, the Atomic Energy Commission {AEC} and the Department of Defense {DOD} for fiscal 1970 regardless of subject area. These totals are shown below in millions of dollars:

	Basic Research total	Applied Research total	Development total
Federal Government **** {omitting NASA, AEC & DOD}	947	1,365	493

The CSRS applied-research-to-basic-research funding proportion in 1970 of 1.6 {8,584/5,261} is not reflected in the assessment findings, assuming a direct correspondence between budgetary allocation levels and number of projects.

Clearly this fact can be explained through the assessment's design trade-off of inventorying only District of Columbia area information systems and not inventorying research not in these systems. However it is EMO's opinion that rural health services research and development not controlled by a "tertiary research" activity, i.e. not systematically reclaimed from the hinterland of field research and properly aggregated, is in reality research undirected toward solving any practical rural health problems. Research and development programs should be directed toward purposes beyond the training of graduate students and remuneration

*Table C-31, and C-47, Federal Funds for Research, Development and Other Scientific Activities, Volume XVIII, Washington, D.C., National Science Foundation, 1969

**Ibid, Table C-50 and C-66

***Ibid, Table C-69

****Ibid, pages 10 through 14

of researchers and their institutions. Thus the failure to "find" such research and development in no way undermines this position — it reinforces the "tertiary research" conceptual need.

The transformation from assessment research type/outcome type to conventional research and development definitions could also be used as an explanation for the lack of correlation between the CSRS applied-research-to-basic-research funding proportion and the assessment findings. However from a pragmatic point of view, the definition transformations are practical and reflect actual evaluation of the research as well as its intended basic, applied or development purpose.

The applied-research-to-development-activity budgetary proportion in fiscal 1970 is interesting. The HSMHA pattern follows closely that of the federal government, omitting NASA, AEC and DOD. However CSRS has no designated development budgetary obligations. Nevertheless the assessment findings do reflect a substantial but lower applied-to-development proportion, possibly a result of "social action" consciousness on the researcher's part or bias from the assessment classification/evaluation {research type/outcome type} terminology.

Contrasting the above research and development funding proportions, the pattern which emerges when total federal obligated budgetary allocations including NASA, AEC and DOD are considered is critically different. The fiscal 1970 figures in millions of dollars are as follows:

	Basic Research total	Applied Research total	Development total
Federal Government* {including NASA, AEC and DOD}	2,399	3,713	10,376

Obviously the NASA, AEC and DOD group has heavy technology-intensive, hardware-dependent development programs. There may also be correlation between this pattern and the well defined policy objectives and Congressionally backed policy priorities of these three agencies. Furthermore all three agencies have highly developed "tertiary research" activities to best allocate their research funding resources among those knowledge need areas related to their distinct policy objectives.

Without considering the quality or depth of knowledge of the rural health care services research, in light of the profound health inadequacies of specific rural areas {see the Final Report, Section 9 and its Appendix I-2 for statistical examples of these inadequacies}, the assessment effort results and the above interpretations tend to support the two hypotheses offered above. In essence the present basic, applied and developmental mix is

inadequate to come to grips with the deficiencies of rural health care services delivery systems. Based on extensive searching, it is doubtful that USDA and DHEW {the two major federal rural health research and development sources - OEO is now under DHEW} possess "tertiary research" activities systematically directed by structured rural development policy objectives. Based on the uncoordinated research exposed in Section 7 of the Final Report, it is even more doubtful that they coordinate these "tertiary research" activities. This direction and coordination would be listed under "intramural" development activities in the Federal Funds for Research, Development and Other Scientific Activities, Volume XVIII. We do find that two thirds of HSMHA development budgetary obligations are intramural but we could find no examples of such comprehensive rural health "tertiary research". As shown, CSRS has no development budgetary obligations listed. CSRS's CRIS is a management information system, not a technical information system as would be required by a "tertiary research" program. The National Agricultural Library's CAIN system is a technical information system but is not comprehensive enough for rural health. These two systems will be discussed further. The other information systems surveyed {NTIS, ERIC, SIE, NLM, etc. - see Final Report, page 2-10 to 2-11} do not meet the "tertiary research" requirements for a technical information system for rural health.

This "tertiary research" inadequacy or nonexistence is viewed from a different perspective in Table 1, Research Performers with Federal Funding - Assessment Statistics. Note the paucity of USDA and DHEW performed {intramural} development activity. A similar dearth exists with the "Health Planning Agencies" and would be explained by the funding weaknesses of CHP's and to a lesser degree RMP's. Also note the dominance of colleges and universities in all three classifications of research and development activities. This is borne out in Table 2 which shows fiscal 1970 budget obligation figures in thousands of dollars. {The Agricultural Research Service, ARS, is shown because it is USDA's largest research and development component.}

We would like to refer back to the "geographic scope" distribution presented earlier in this section. "Locally" focused research, that is subcounty, county or multi-county within a specific state, dominates basic, applied and development activities. The pervasiveness of rural health care delivery problems are of such a nature that this local focusing of research is appropriate. The basis of the Knowledge Assessment, Section 7 of the Final Report, is a high resolution spectrum of rurality linked to the county as a geographical unit. However such "local" oriented research will not deliver its maximum potential unless this research is aggregated through the "tertiary research" concept presented in this summary. Thus any plans for increased areawide research {"Regional" and "National"} should be a systematically derived mixture of such areawide studies and formalized "tertiary research" activity concentrating in part on the aggregation of this local research.

Table 1 - Research Performers with Federal Funding - Assessment Statistics

	Basic		Applied		Development	
	No.		No.	%	No.	%
<u>Private Ed. Institutions</u>						
Health Related	1		2		—	
Miscellaneous	<u>2</u>		<u>3</u>		<u>2</u>	
total:	3	5.8	5	12.2	2	5.0
<u>Public Ed. Institutions</u>						
Agricultural	9		6		4	
Components	3		4		3	
Health Related	<u>7</u>		<u>6</u>		<u>10</u>	
Miscellaneous						
total:	19	36.6	16	39.0	17	42.6
Professional Associations	2	3.8	—	—	—	—
Non-Profit Institutions	8	15.4	1	2.4	1	2.5
Profit Institutions	—	—	2	4.9	2	5.0
<u>Federal Government</u>						
USDA	3		2		1	
DHEW	2		4		2	
Other Federal						
Agencies	2		1		1	
Quasi-Federal						
Agencies	<u>1</u>		<u>2</u>		<u>—</u>	
total:	8	15.4	9	22.0	4	10.0
Health Planning						
Agencies	8	15.4	3	7.3	3	7.5
State Government						
Agencies	2	3.8	4	9.8	8	20.0
Sub-State Government						
Agencies	2	3.8	1	2.4	3	7.5

Table 2* — Research Performers with Federal Funding - NSF Statistics

	Total	Intramural	Extramural			
			Industrial Firms	Universities, Colleges	Other non-profit	Other Foreign
Basic Research:						
CSRS	23,663	775	—	22,774	114	—
HSMHA	43,615	15,269	—	25,184	1,902	106
ARS	66,886	53,199	3	1,884	90	6,710
Applied Research:						
CSRS	38,607	1,263	—	37,157	187	—
HSMHA	128,361	16,886	93	62,376	24,647	7,790
ARS	78,037	74,730	440	1,419	—	1,407
Development:						
CSRS	9,534	6,030	504	385	2,573	42
HSMHA	12,706	12,252	3	281	—	—
ARS						170

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*Ibid, Table C-29, C-50 and C-69 in thousands of dollars.

From this data the following hypothesis is formulated: "tertiary research" activity or an analogous activity is conducted by the Agricultural Research Service and the Cooperative State Research Service in their agricultural development efforts as well as by other USDA agencies involved in agricultural development. Consequently the CSRS has a management information system with high agricultural development resolution {CRIS}. The National Agricultural Library's CAIN system is the counterpart technical information system with high agricultural development resolution. Rural development resolution including rural health services research is relatively lower and warrants serious discussion and action.

In summary these considerations and interpretations form the basis for recommendations No. 2,3,5,7 and 9 presented in the Final Report, section 12.

Recommendation 2, "The need for a single agency to be active at the Federal level with the responsibility for synthesizing systematic planning for a national rural health care system."

The implementation here of course is flexible. Yet the coordination responsibilities delegated to the Rural Development Service {RDS} [Rural Development Act of 1972 section 603] could be ideally realized here. If the RDS were given the tools to conduct rural health "tertiary research" regardless of the funding source, e.g. DHEW or HUD, then it would be in the prime position to coordinate all federally funded rural health care services and furnish authoritative rural health policy components as inputs into HEW's National Council on Health Planning and Development {NCHPD}. The NCHPD has been mandated by National Health Planning and Resources Act of 1974 {PL 93-641} as the mechanism to conduct "development" activities in the nation's health care services "system". Recommendations 1, 3 and 4 are reinforced by this recommendation. Implementation of this recommendation by RDS {or another USDA component} would require close RDS/NCHPD cooperation.

Recommendation 3, "The continuation of the data base resulting from this assessment effort by not only continuing to inventory, classify, and evaluate, but to enlarge its capture techniques and subject areas. The purpose would not only involve the effective dissemination of rural health care services research to researchers and decision-makers, but the coordination of rural health care services research in-house and out-of-house. Thus, one major rural health care services research data base would stimulate a systematic approach to the problems of rural health."

This addresses the stated need for a technical information system as the heart of a "tertiary research" activity linked to a management information system.

Recommendation 5, "More constructive dialogue between researchers {academicians} and the policy-makers to lessen the 'conflict' between their respective theoretical and practical orientations,

hopefully leading to more problem-oriented research by more 'social action' oriented researchers and more management oriented policy-makers who systematically know what objectives they want."

This will be of prime importance to any successful implementation of a "tertiary research" activity, i.e. Recommendations 2, 3, 4, and 6. It will also be a necessity for the attainment of Recommendation 7 below.

Recommendation 7, "The need to increase the amount of "problem-oriented research" recognizing the need for other types of research. Rural health problems require such problem-oriented research if solutions are to be found."

This means an increase in applied research and development activities. However historically such emphasis on development activities only accompanies political mandates and should be accompanied by "tertiary research" activities controlled by a concrete systems approach effected policy direction {involving normative, strategic and operational policy levels}.

Recommendation 9, "The investigation by USDA into the national health services data system being constructed by DHEW's Center for Health Statistics." We would anticipate that any national health care services delivery system, whose planning and implementation has been mandated by PL 93-641, would utilize very heavily this "national health services data system" to zero in on geographical problem areas and health needs of those problem areas. Likewise the implementation of Recommendation 2 with RDS or any other USDA component would require closer RDS/NCHPD cooperation. The Center for Health Statistics would be a logical point to increase this cooperation and ensure that rural areas are included "properly" {proper rural resolution} in this "national health services data system". [The Office of Rural Health's {DHEW} impact on increasing this "rural resolution" has not been observed as of this time].

Demonstration of a Use of The Assessment's Data Base Elements

As stated above, the systems approach to rural health care services research {and development activities} used in the assessment effort is based on the following:

- o To systematically control the direction and thus attain the practical social objectives of any large research and development program, "tertiary research" activity must be implemented.
- o "Tertiary research" activity necessarily involves knowledge assessments on an almost continual basis. "Ideal" knowledge assessments involve "aggregating the data elements in the research documents identified and comparing

these aggregated data elements with models of the 'ideal' rural health care services delivery system components."

This "aggregating" task ensures the input of normative policy elements, personified through the choice of "ought to" models, into the "tertiary research" activity. Thus the "tertiary research" activity is brought out of an environment isolated from decision-makers and is connected through feedback mechanisms to policy formulation and to the decision-makers. This will be seen more easily by a closer look at this "ideal" knowledge assessment methodology. A visual step-by-step conception of it is presented in Figure 1.

The assessment effort embodied in the Final Report approximates, within the limitations discussed earlier, steps 1,2,3 and part of step 4. The "geographic aggregation" of step 3 shows potentially large knowledge vacuums in a "rurality definition spectrum" taking into account experimentally isolated variables {see "Bibliography"} of "economy of scale" and "access distance" {see Section 7, Final Report}. This is the basis for the Final Report's Recommendation 8.

Recommendation 8, "The adoption of more dynamic concepts of 'rural', e.g. the concepts behind the indepth assessment to include the dimensions of economies of scale and access distances of ERS's non-commuter/commuter counties concept". Since step 4 is only partially complete the demonstration will proceed from there.

First "policy determined models of the Department's rural health care services involvement and goals" would have to be identified. For the purpose of the demonstration, relevant policy elements will be assumed as follows:

- o What part will USDA play in DHEW's NCHPD activities and other health activities?

USDA will work cooperatively with DHEW and will supply the authoritative rural health care services policy inputs.

- o How will these "policy inputs" be obtained?

RDS's Economic Development Division {which is studying CHP areas and developing a data base about these areas}, will be given the tools and responsibility to carry out rural health care services tertiary research activity, regardless of funding source. RDS would be responsible for coordinating all federal rural health care services research and for inputting the authoritative rural health care services policy into DHEW's NCHPD and other health activities.

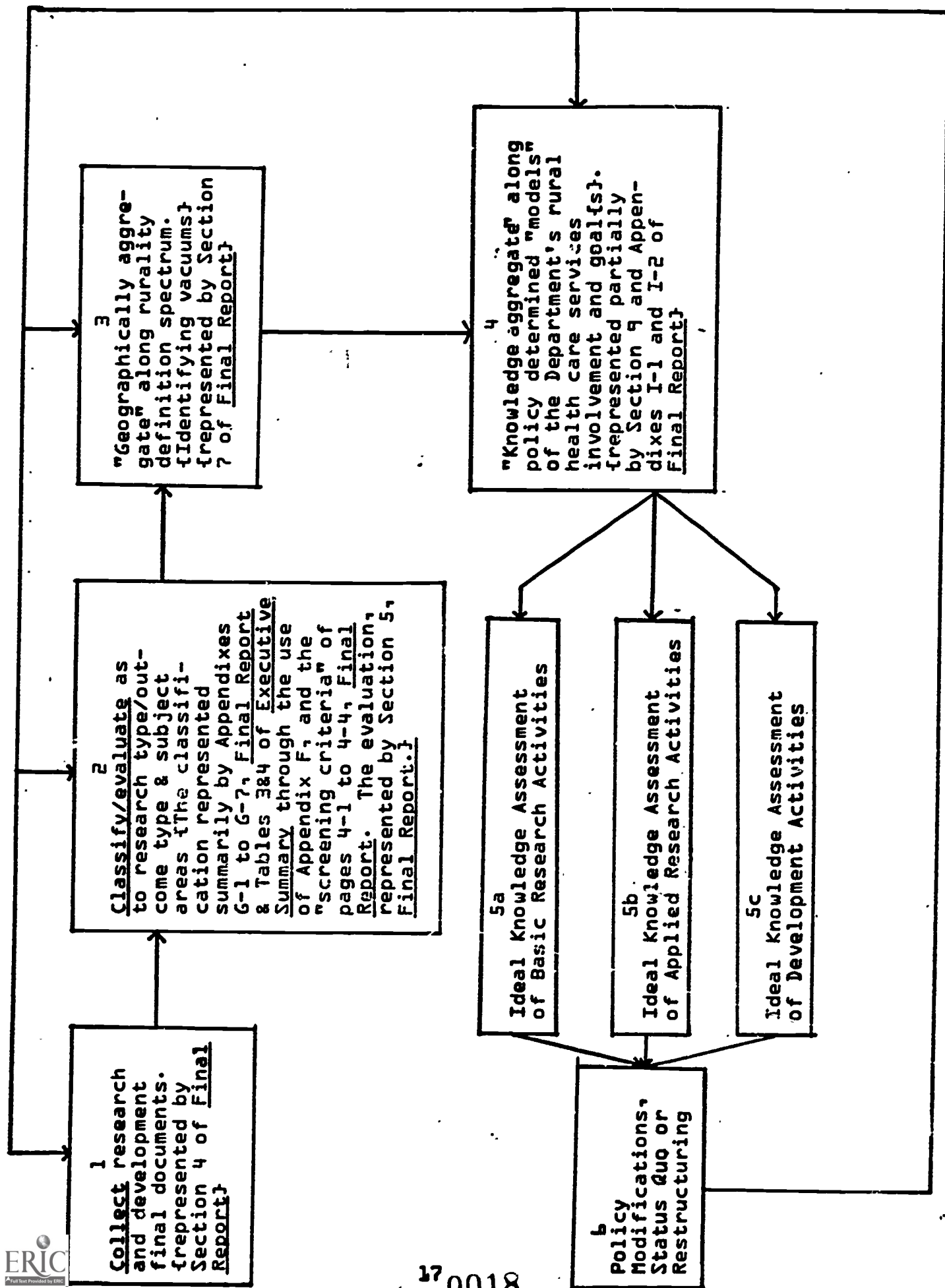


Figure 1

- o What is the normative policy of the USDA as it addresses rural health care services goals?

Those goals are full equality of access, high quality of care and the attainment of rural health standards on a par with urban health standards in specific rural areas, i.e., the most rural areas {the highest numbered rurality codes in Section 7, Final Report}.

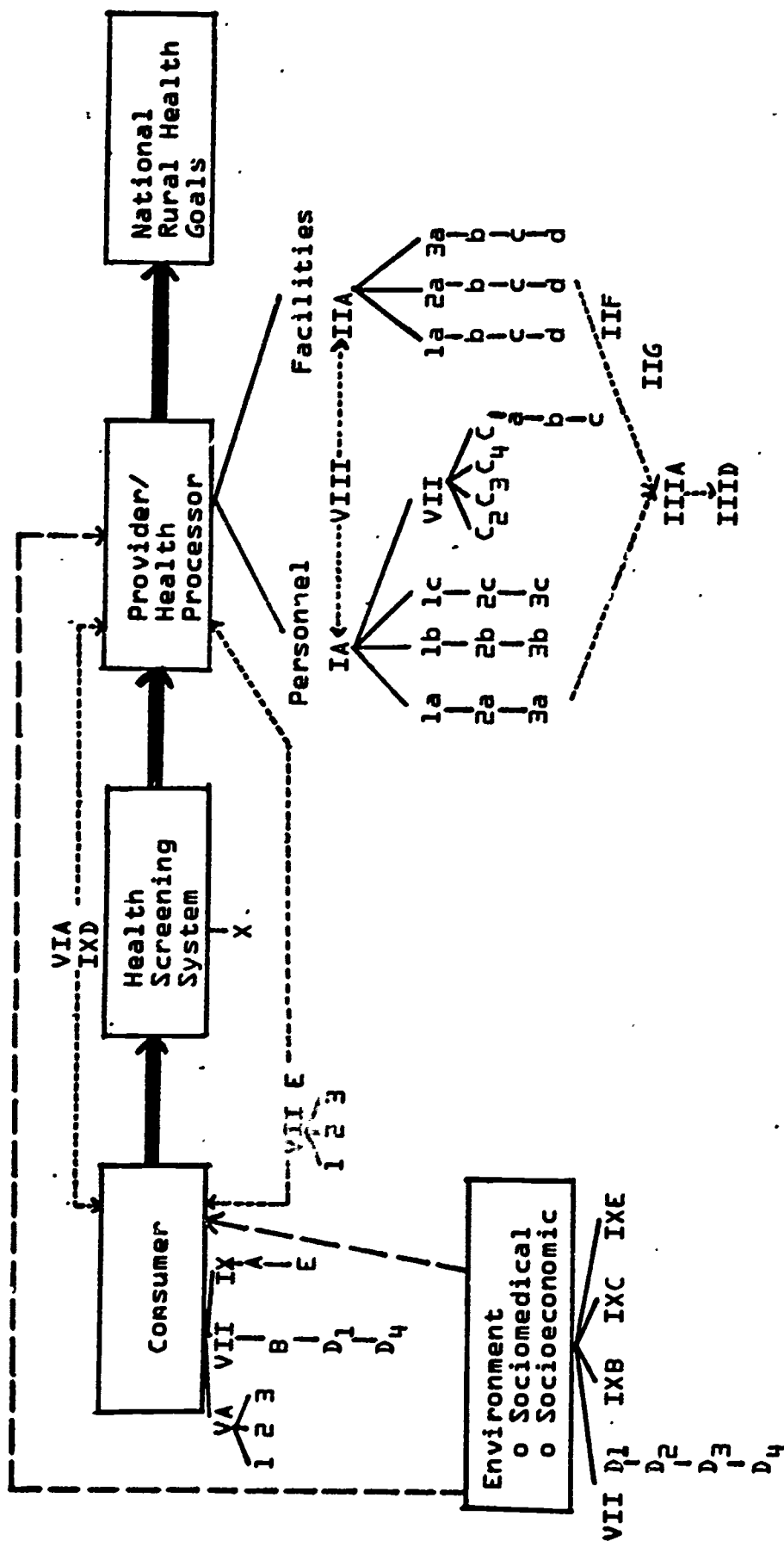
- o What rural health care services delivery system model or models, as well as criteria, does the USDA consider or want to be considered as part of its normative policy to attain the above stated goals?

This model is shown in Figure 2-1 of the Final Report. Furthermore this model is the framework for the subject categorization format {Appendix F} used in the assessment effort and part of step 2 of the "ideal" knowledge assessment methodology.

At this point it would be possible to complete step 4, the "knowledge aggregation" by reorganizing the subject categorization format alpha-numerically along the delivery system model represented by Figure 2 of the Final Report. An example of this process is shown in Figure 2 for "general health", representing part of the aggregating template.

Please note that IV-Evaluation, X-Technology and XI-Methodology are subject areas of the subject categorization format which support the knowledge assessment component of the "tertiary research" activity in the larger sense. That is they are used in steps 1, 2, 3, and 4 of Figure 1.

Using the appropriate "aggregating template" and the potential knowledge vacuum areas as a guide, the specific research and development documents are acquisitioned from the technical information system. For example, the user interested in the consumer aspect of rural health care would acquisition the documents which dealt with the subject categories IA1, IA2, IA3, VIIB, VIID1, VIID4, IXA and IXE. These documents and those for any other subject area can be easily identified by using Table 3. Appendix F, Subject Categorization Format of the Final Report is the narrative key to the alphanumeric code of the subject areas. The document number in Table 3, e.g. 005, is the entry into Appendix G-1, Research Publications Accepted - By Title, Final Report yielding specific bibliographic data for the documents desired. These documents are then acquisitioned and analyzed for data elements using as the standard the knowledge required to implement the policy derived model rural health care delivery system. Section 9 of the Final Report is a suggested starting point for such a "knowledge aggregation." Steps 5 and 6 of Figure 1 are thus the results of this iterative process. Obviously this approach requires appropriate resources of funding, time and talent {both academician and decision making}.



Y3X

.....→ knowledge linkages —→ external model
and interfaces impact

— knowledge aggregation: model inputs/
elements  model outputs

Figure 2

Table 4 is a reordering of Table 3 so that a one-to-one correspondence can be made with Appendix G-1 of the Final Report yielding indepth subject categorization for specific documents. Tables 3 and 4 represent indepth subject categorizations from Appendix F, Final Report and constitute data not in that Final Report but gathered during the assessment effort. It is hoped these tables will extend the usefulness of the Final Report.

The above discussion should clarify: the recommendations of Section 12 of the Assessment of Rural Health Research Final Report, in the broader concept of "tertiary research" activity; the relationship of a comprehensive knowledge assessment with such a "tertiary research" activity and the requirements for such an activity; and the position of the assessment effort to date in relation to this "tertiary research" concept, i.e., the Final Report represents the beginning step toward a comprehensive knowledge assessment as well as an important component in the "tertiary research" concept. It is this concept which is necessary to overcome the pervasive problems of rural health care services delivery and to a larger degree rural development.

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TABLE 3 - RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS ACCEPTED

— By Indepth Subject Category

By Document Access Number

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IA1a	082	{Involves several indices of R. H. Care Conditions}
	074	
	101	
	110	
	112	
	122	
	125	
	132	
	136	
	142	
	155	
	167	
	169	
	178	
	199	
	212	
	214	
	219	
	221	
	222	
	223	
	230	
	235	
	241	
	242	
	243	
	246	
	260	
	266	
	285	
	286	
	290	
	297	
	303	
		Maturopathy
		Nurse practitioners
		Nurse, practical and registered
		Physicians

TABLE 3 - RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS ACCEPTED
- By Indirect Subject Category
By Document Access Number

SUBJECT CATEGORY (See Appendix F, Final Report)	DOCUMENT ACCESS NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
I	004	
	035	
	139	
	162	Supply
IA	005	
	041	
	063	
	123	
	131	
	277	
IA1	105	
	133	
	171	
	202	
	295	
	004	
IA1a	006	
	009	
	015	
	029	
	031	
	035	
	037	
	050	
	055	
	056	
	061	
	076	
	079	
		Recruitment of physicians
		{13 categories allied health personnel}

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description	Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IA2	105		IA1a	311	
	202			316	
IA2a	031			321	
	034		IA1b	015	
	112			054	
	200			074	
	230			087	
	265			089	
	269			099	
	303			101	
	321			102	
IA2b	099	Physicians and hospitals		115	
	154			147	
	271			148	
	289			221	
IA3	202	Speech and hearing specialist		222	
IA3a	031			235	
	216			242	
	265	Podiatrists		246	
	303			260	
	321			266	
IA3b	099	Supply		270	
IA3c	216	Physicians and hospitals		271	
IB	005	Podiatrists		276	
	041			297	
	094			306	
	133			310	
	256			311	
IB1	013		IA1c	316	
	175			051	
	268			132	
	301			169	
IB1a	004			196	
	006	13 categories of allied health personnel		221	

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description	Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IC1a	303		IC1a	031	
	321			035	
IC1b	047	Utilization of dental aux. and dentists (type of practice)		112	
				125	
				132	
IC1c	067			265	
	068			303	
	132			321	
IC2	243			257	
IC2a	031		IC1b	051	
	047		IC1c	132	
	112		IC2a	031	
	201			112	
	265			265	
	321			303	
IC2b	047			321	
IC2b	005		IC3a	031	
IC2b	031			265	
IC2b	131			303	
	317	Post-graduate education		321	
IC2a	266		IC	005	
IC	005			040	
	031			044	
	265			133	
	303		IC1	243	
	321		IC1a	012	
IC2	202			031	
IC2a	155	Nurses		047	
IC2a	155	Nurses		068	
IC2a	302	Indian health aids		112	
IC2a	155	Nurses		122	
IC2a	202	Emergency medical services		132	
IC2a	246			201	
IC2a	005	Supply of facilities		265	
IC2a				240	

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IIA1c	216	Retirement communities
	240	
	241	
	245	
	261	
	275	Satellite health facilities
	286	
	031	
	034	
	126	Delivery
	148	Supply
	157	
	196	
	199	Supply of health facilities
	275	Supply
	282	Satellite health facilities
	283	Supply
	285	Supply
	303	Supply
	321	Supply
IIA2	078	
	136	
	154	
	166	
	277	
IIA2b	010	
	200	Short term hospital
IIA2c	055	
	120	
	121	
	286	
IIA2d	031	
	068	
	148	

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
II	139	
	162	
IIA	041	Health facility supplies (ambulatory, lab, hospitals, mental health clinics, nursing homes, dental facilities, offices and clinics)
	138	
	193	
	194	
	209	
	261	
	264	
	266	
IIA1	039	
	061	
	089	
	116	
	124	
	125	
	131	
IIA1a	297	
IIA1b	037	
	115	
	266	
	297	
IIA1c	009	
	070	
	072	
	073	
	115	
	120	
	161	
	171	
	203	

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description	Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
II82d	031	Supply of mental retard. services and facilities	IIA2d	165	
	064			285	Supply
	285			303	Supply
II83	321	Supply		321	
II83c	028	Supply of mental retard. services and facilities	IIA2e	294	
	147		IIA3d	031	
II83d	031			146	
	147	Supply of mental retard. services and facilities		285	
	285			303	
II8	321	Supply	II8	321	Supply
	005			005	
	041			041	
	044			044	
	076			076	
II81	013		II81	013	
	065			065	
	114			114	
	125			125	
	175			175	
	185			185	
	231			231	
	268			268	
	314			314	
II81c	072	Supply	II81c	072	Comprehensive planning
II81d	031		II81d	031	
	064			064	
	282			282	Supply of mental retard. services and facilities
	283			283	Supply
	285			285	Supply
	303			303	Supply
	321			321	Supply
II82	028			028	
	176			176	
	185			185	
	314			314	
II81c	153	Migrant educational project			
II82	156	Migrant school health service			
	254				
	255				
	301	Mental			
	128				
	148	Supply			
	191				
	308				
II82b	147	Supply			
II81f	150				

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IIc4	053	Emergency medical services
	085	
	154	
	192	
	220	
	257	
IIc5	052	Emergency medical services
	053	Emergency medical services
	209	
	261	
	160	
IIc6	269	Mobile coronary care unit
IIH	038	General organization, funded various ways
III	075	University sponsored
	275	
IIIA	046	
	164	
	204	
IIIA1	105	
	139	
	240	
IIIA1a	095	Migrant health
	101	
	135	
	151	
	274	
	292	
	318	
IIIA1b	001	
	006	
	023	
	095	
	242	
	243	
	253	

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IIc5	052	Emergency medical services
	053	Emergency medical services
	143	
	146	Labs - supply and cost
	190	Services for the blind
	220	
IIc	261	
	301	
	309	
IIc2	103	
	195	
	214	
	217	
IIc3	121	
	190	Services for the blind
IIc4	291	
IIc5	300	
IIc	016	
	193	
	194	
	209	
	225	
	261	
IIc2	209	
	225	
	261	
IIc3	011	
	062	
	085	
	145	
	252	
	308	
IIc4	007	Emergency medical services
	052	

Subject Category Document Access Description

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IIIb	048	
	078	
IIIb1	137	
IIIb1a	042	
	175	
	276	
IIIb1b	253	
IIIb1c	041	
	044	
	045	
	044	
	072	
	107	
	185	
	258	
	268	
IIIb1d	086	
	114	
	174	
	176	
	304	
IIIc	048	
	317	
IIIc1	137	
IIIc1c	024	
	072	
IIIc1d	173	
IIIc1e	280	
IIIb	006	
	016	
	027	
	048	
	066	
	083	
	084	

Subject Category Document Access Description

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IIIa1b	318	
IIIa1c	011	
	041	
	072	
	075	Migrant health
	177	
	251	
	277	
IIIa1d	066	
	067	
	248	
IIIa1e	073	
	143	
	184	
	195	Comprehensive social service planning
IIIa1f	034	
	170	
	315	
IIIa1g	076	
	103	CEO/U. of North Carolina
	142	
	270	
	305	U.S. Public Health Service and Gillette Co.
IIIa2	124	
IIIa2a	030	
	147	HM0's
	212	
IIIa2c	212	
IIIa2e	183	
	195	Comprehensive social service planning
	306	University sponsored
	307	Hospital

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description	Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IV11	216	Retirement community	II1D	106	
IV11a	230			137	
	047			164	
	096			165	Hospital merger
	163	Summary of all migrant programs		167	Family planning
	208			168	
	254			227	
	307			237	
IV11b	152			240	
	257			248	
IV11c	162			252	
IV12	033			254	
	045			255	
	177			256	
IV12a	276			263	
	071			264	
	277			268	
IV12b	277			272	
IV13	175			294	
IV13a	047			304	
IV14	134			308	
	173			307	
	276			317	
	277			317	
IV15a	254		II1D1	018	
	255		II1E	317	Family planning
	256		IVA	041	
	316	Migrant school health program		082	
IV15b	124			111	
	300			207	
IV15d	134			251	
	147			063	
IV15e	052	Emergency medical services	IV11	081	
				123	
				124	
				177	

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IVC2	009	
	020	
	050	
	044	Indian health manpower shortage
	104	
	108	
	159	
	162	
	166	
	221	
	230	
	245	
IVC3	027	Special target of disadvantaged families
	054	Family planning
	077	Dissemination information on Medicare
	088	Migrant health
	095	Evaluation of feasibility study
	104	Day care center and nutrition
	117	
	158	
	234	Transfer payments to rural poor
	036	
	113	
	139	
	048	
	056	
	063	
	126	
	130	
	140	
	142	
	146	
	156	Rural Indian health

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IVASE	053	Emergency medical services
	093	Evaluation of a program designed to produce rural physicians
	220	
	249	
	302	
	058	
	063	
	123	
	203	
	238	
	267	
	284	
	077	
	161	
	208	
	238	
	093	
	001	
	023	
	097	
	215	
	050	
	059	
	070	
	085	
	086	
	104	
	145	
	150	
	230	
	245	
	261	
IVB1		In the field health services Nutrition education
IVB1e		
IVB3		
IVB5e		Evaluation of a program designed to produce rural physicians
IVC		
IVC1		Helicopter ambulance service

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Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
VIIC	097	
	110	
	111	
	125	
	213	
VIIC1	222	
	276	
	320	
	212	
	295	
VIIC1d	307	
	172	
	239	
	013	
	106	
VIIC4	130	
	175	
	021	
	022	
	025	
VIIC4a	026	
	067	
	090	
	100	
	113	
VIIC2	117	
	140	
	233	
	247	
	019	
VIIC	021	
	067	
	076	
	080	
VIIA	127	
	210	
	233	
	247	
	267	
VIIB	002	
	020	
	021	
	022	
	029	
VIIC	032	
	057	
	067	
	076	
	044	
VIIC	098	
	126	
	167	
	172	
	175	
VIIC	207	
	210	
	211	
	224	
	235	
VIIC	239	
	262	
	265	
	275	
	292	
VIIC	299	
	301	
	019	
	021	
	029	

Drug abuse

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description	Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
VIIA	226		VIIA	100	
	228			113	
	233			116	
	235			118	
	253			119	
	274			122	
	281			127	
	055			129	
	069			226	
	140			227	
VIIA	216	Distribution of medical care according to age, income and residence Retirement community	VIIA	228	
	014			237	
	315			253	
	075			274	
	076			277	
	166			279	
	261			298	
	272			003	
	155			033	
	166			065	
VIIA	170		VIIA	067	
	186			207	
	236			227	
	261			273	
	004			313	
	005			002	
	031			018	
	048			046	
	134			067	
	182			075	
VIIA	310		VIIA	076	
	060			109	
	060			119	
	021			137	
				224	
VIIA			VIIA		

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description	Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
IXE	326	Urban-rural differentials of health facilities and related differences in disabilities	IXA	036	
	033	Nature and extent of mental illness in sparsely populated areas		040	
	059	Applying technology to pilot project relative to Puerto Rico unique problems		040	Migrant health
	067	Problems of Native Americans (Indians)		080	
	107	Asthmatic and hay fever in rural children		116	
	118	Health and employment interrelatedness		135	
	128	Problems of Native Americans (Indians)		146	
	151	Black doctor shortage		153	Migrant educational program
	156	Indian health problems		178	
	157	Indian health problems		179	
	174			180	
	187	Maldistribution		191	
	212	Doctor shortages		205	
	233	Community organization and health		206	
	236	Rural school psychological services		223	
	017			249	
	048			282	
	144			283	
	267			316	Migrant school health program
	294			074	
	007			092	
	039			167	
	059			249	
	144			305	
	192			009	Occupational employees only
	294			183	
	017			081	
	104	Railroads		124	
				168	
				192	Maldistribution of U.S. population
				229	Problem areas in local rural development
				250	
				287	
				313	
				025	Urban-rural differentials of health facilities and related differences in disabilities.

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
XIB	040	
	041	
	042	
	108	
	124	
	152	
	154	
	167	
	188	
	238	
	280	
	284	
	287	
	296	
	078	
XIC	083	
	084	
	096	
	138	
	141	
	168	
	231	
	287	
		Computer simulation
		Essay on rural research process pragmatism Problems in researching in rural areas Systems approach application

Subject Category	Document Access Number	Description
XE	160	Influence of automobile
	215	Helicopter ambulance service
	012	
	025	
	026	
	032	
	043	
	044	
	044	
	057	
	062	
	074	
	088	
	091	
	102	
XIA	107	
	124	
	137	
	141	
	181	
	210	
	211	
	213	
	225	
	230	
	231	
	244	
	263	
	265	
	287	
	311	
	320	
	003	
	010	
XIB		

Asthmatic & hay fever in rural children

TABLE 4 - RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS ACCEPTED

— By Document Access Number

By Indepth Subject Category

Document Subject
Access Number Category Additional Description

TABLE 4 - RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS ACCEPTED
- By Document Access Number
By Indepth Subject Category

DOCUMENT ACCESS NUMBER	SUBJECT CATEGORY	ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTION
	See	
	Appendix	
	F Final Report	
001	IIIA1b	
	IVC	
002	VIIIB	
	VIIID4	
003	VIIID3	
	XIB	
004	IA1a	
	I	
	IB1a	
	VIII	
005	IA	
	IB	
	IC	
	ID	
	IE	
	II	Supply of facilities
	VIII	Personnel and facilities
006	IIIA1b	
	IIID	
007	IIID4	
	XB	
008	IA1a	13 categories of allied h. pers.
	IB1a	13 categories of allied h. pers.

009	IA1a	
	IIA1c	
	IVC2	
	IXC	
010	IIA2b	
	XIB	
011	IXG3	
	IIIA1c	
012	IC1a	
	XIA	
013	IB1	
	IIIB1	
014	VIIID	
	VIIIA	
	VIIIE	
015	IA1a	
	IA1b	
016	IXG	
	IIID	
017	XA	
	XC	
018	IIID1	
	VIIID4	
019	VIIIC	
	VIIID2	
020	IVC2	
	VIIIB	
021	VIIIB	
	VIIIC	
	VIIID1	
	VIIID2	
	IXA	
022	VIIIB	
	VIIID1	
023	IIIA1b	
	IVC	

Document Access Number	Subject Category	Additional Description
031	IIA1d IIA2d IIA3d IIB1d IIB2d IIB3d IIE VIII VIIIA VIIIB XIA IVA2 VII93 IXE	Supply Supply Supply Supply Supply Supply Supply Manpower & facilities
032		
033		
034	IIA1d IIA1f I {Com- prehensive}	Nature & extent of mental illness in sparsely populated areas Delivery
035	IA1e IB1e V IXA IA1a IIA1b III VIA IA2a	All levels of mpr. supply and distribution
036		
037		
038		General organization, funded various ways
039		

Document Access Number	Subject Category	Additional Description
024	IIC1 IIC1c VII91 IXE	Urban-rural differentials of health facilities and related difference in dis- abilities
025		
026	XIA VII91 IXE XIA IIX9 IVC3 IIB2 IIB3 IA1e VII9 VIIC IIIA2a VIA1 IA1e IA2a IA3a IB1e IB2a IB3a IC1e IC2a ID IE	Special target of disadvantaged families
027		
028		
029		
030		
031		

Document Access Number	Subject Category	Additional Description
046	VE	
	VF	
	VI	
	VIII	
	XA	
047	IVA1a	
	IVA3a	
	VIA1	
	XIA	
050	IA1a	
	IVC1	
	IVC2	
051	IA1c	
	IB1c	
052	IIES	Emergency medical service
	IIc4	Emergency medical service
	IIc5	Emergency medical service
	IVASa	Emergency medical service
053	IIES	Emergency medical service
	IIc4	Emergency medical service
	IIc5	Emergency medical service
	IVASa	Emergency medical service
054	IA1b	Family planning
	IVC3	Family planning
055	IA1a	
	IIA2c	
	VIIb5	

Document Access Number	Subject Category	Additional Description
6EO	IIA1	
	XB	
040	IC	
	VIC	
	IXA	
041	IA	
	IB	
	IIA	
	IIb	
	IIIA1c	
	IIIB1c	
	IVA	
042	IIIB1a	
	VIB	
043	VIB1	
	XIA	
044	IIb	
	IIIB1c	
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046	VB	
	VIIb4	
047	IC1a	
	IC1b	
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048	IIIA	
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Util. of dental aux. & dentists, type of practice)

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	VIIIE1			
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	VIIIB			
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	VIIIE1			
	IVB1a			
	IVC3			
				Dissemination of information on medicare

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056	VA			
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057	VIIIB			
	XIA			
058	IA1a			
	IVB1			
059	IVC			
	IXE			
				Applying tech. to pilot project relative to Puerto Rico's unique problems.
	XB			
060	VIIIC			
	VIIID5			
	IXA			
061	IA1a			
	IIA1			
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062	IIG3			
	XIA			
063	IA			
	IVA1			
	IVB1			
	VA			
064	IIID1			
				Supply of mental retard. service and facilities integrated services
	IIIB2d			Supply of mental retard. service and facilities integrated services
	IIIB1c			Mental retard. service and facilities, integrated services
065	IIIE1			
	VB			
	VIIID3			
066	IIIA1d			
	IIITJ			

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073	IVAS5	Evaluation of program designed to produce rural physicians
	IVB55	Evaluation of program designed to produce rural physicians
074	IA1a	
	IB	
	IC	
	IVC2	Indian H. Mpr. shortage
	VII8	
075	IIIA1a	Migrant health
	IIIA1b	Migrant health
	IIIA1c	Migrant health
	IVC3	
076	IVA1a	
	XIC	
077	IVC	
	VIIc	
078	IIIB	
	IIIB	
	VII8	
079	IA1b	Physicians and hospitals
	IA2b	Physicians and hospitals
	IA3b	Physicians and hospitals
	VA1	Physicians and hospitals
080	VII91	
	VII92	
081	IA1a	
	IA1b	
	IIIA1a	
082	IA1b	
	XIA	
083	IIF2	
	IIIA1g	OCB and U. of North Carolina
084	IVC1	
	IVC2	
	IVC3	Evaluation of feasibility study

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070	IA10	
	IIA2	
	XIC	
071	IA10	
	IA1b	
080	VIID2	
	IXA	Migrant health
081	IVA1	
	IXD	
082	IA10	Involves several indices of R-H. Care conditions
	IVA	
083	IIID	
	XIC	
084	IIID	
	XIC	Computer simulation
085	IXG3	
	IXG4	
	IVC1	
086	IIIB1d	
	IVC1	
087	IA1b	
	IC1b	
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088	IIA2d	
	IVC3	
	XIA	
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	VA1	
090	VIID1	
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091	XIA	
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092	IXB	
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117	VIIb1	
118	VIIb2	
119	IXE	Health and employment interrelatedness
120	VIIb2	
121	VIIb4	
122	IIA1c	
123	IIA2c	
124	IIA2c	
125	IIF3	
126	IA1a	
127	IC1a	
128	VIIb2	
129	IA	
130	IVA1	
131	IVb1	
132	IIA1	
133	IIA2	
134	IVA1	
135	IVASb	
136	VIA	
137	IXD	
138	IA1a	
139	Ie1a	
140	IIA1	
141	IIb1	
142	VIIc	
143	IIA1d	Supply
144	IIc1d	Supply
145	VA	
146	VIIb	
147	VIIA	
148	VIIb2	
149	IIc1c	
150	IXE	Problems of Native Americans (Indians)

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104	XE	Railroads
105	IA1	
106	IA2	
107	IIIA1	
108	IIIB	
109	VIIb	
110	IXE	Asthmatic and hay fever in rural children
111	XIA	Asthmatic and hay fever in rural children
112	IVC2	
113	XIB	
114	IIIB1c	
115	VIIb4	
116	IA1a	
117	VIIc	
118	IVA	
119	VIIc	
120	IA1a	
121	IA2a	
122	IB1a	
123	IG2a	
124	IC1a	
125	IC2a	
126	V	
127	VIIb1	
128	VIIb2	
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130	IIIB1d	
131	IA1b	
132	IIA1b	
133	IIA1c	
134	IIA1	
135	IIc	
136	VIIb2	
137	IXA	
138	IVC3	Day care center and nutrition

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141	XIA XIC 7A1a XIIA1g VA VB VC			Distribution of medical care according to age, income and residence
142				
143	IIIE5 IIIA1e XA XB IIG3 IVC1 IID VA VB VC IXA IIB3C IIB3D VB3 IIA1D IIA2D IIA3D IIE2 IIE3			
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147				Supply - mental retard. fac. Supply - mental retard. fac. Supply - mental retard. fac.
148				Supply Supply

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124	VIID2 XIA XIB VA VIID IA IB IIA1 IA1a IA1c IB1a IB1c IC1a IC1c IA1 IB IC IVAN IVASD VIII IIIA1a IXA IA1a IIA2 VA1 VIID4 XIA IIA XIC I {Com- prehensive} II {Com- prehensive} IIIA1			
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133				Comprehensive - all h. apr.
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135				Cost of drugs
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163	IVAla	Summary of all migrant prog.
164	VIC3	
164	IIIA	
165	IIIB	
165	IIA2d	
166	IIIB	Hospital merger
166	IIA2	
167	VIIIE1	
167	VIIIE2	
167	IX8	
168	XIB	
168	IX9	
169	XIC	Essay on rural research process pragmatism
169	IIIB	Family planning
170	IIIB	Family planning
170	IIIA1f	
171	VIIIE2	
171	IA1	Recruitment of physicians
172	IIA1c	
172	VIIIB	
173	VIIIC4	
173	IIIC1d	
174	IVA4	
174	IIIB1d	
175	IXE	
175	IB1	
175	IIIB2	
175	IIIB1a	
176	IVA3	
176	V8	
176	VIIIB	
176	VIIIB	
176	IIIB2	
176	IIIB1d	
148	IIES	Labs - supply and cost
149	IIIA2a	HMO's
150	IVASd	
150	IIIE4	
151	IVC1	
151	IIIA1a	
152	IXE	Black doctor shortage
152	IVA1b	
153	XIB	
153	IIIE1	Migrant ed. proj.
154	IXA	Migrant ed. proj.
154	IA2b	
155	IIA2	
155	IIIG4	
155	IA1a	
155	IE2a	Nurses
155	IE3a	Nurses
155	IE4a	Nurses
155	VIIIE2	
156	VA	Problems of Native Americans (Indians)
156	VB	Problems of Native Americans (Indians)
157	IXE	Problems of Native Americans (Indians)
157	IIA1d	
158	IXE	Indian health problems
158	IIIE1	Migrant school h. serv.
159	IVC3	Migrant school h. serv.
159	IVC2	
160	XIB	
160	IIIG8	
161	XE	Influence of automobile
161	IIA1c	
162	IVB1a	
162	IVA1c	
162	IVC2	

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192	IO	
193	IIA	
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194	IIA	
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195	IIf2	
	IIIAle	Comprehensive social service planning
	IIIA2e	
196	IIAla	
	IIb2d	
	IIc2	
197	IIAb	
	IIAlc	
198	IIAla	Nurse practitioner
	IIAlb	Nurse practitioner
199	IIAlc	Nurse practitioner
	IIAla	Nurses, practical and registered
	IIAla	Supply of H. facilities
200	IIA2a	Nursing shortages
	IIA2b	Short term hospital - 20
201	IC1a	
	IC2a	
	VB	
202	IA1	
	IA2	
	IA3	
	IE2	
	IE5	
203	IIAlc	Emergency medical services
	IVB1	
204	IIIA	
	VIA	
205	VA1	
	IXA	
206	VIC	
	IXA	
207	VIIb	Drug abuse
	VIIb3	

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177	IID	
	IVAl	
	IVa2	
178	VIC	
	IXA	
179	VES	Mig. h. serv.
	IXA	
180	VES	Mig. h. serv.
	IXA	
181	VA1	
	XIA	
182	I	Supply
	II	H. fac. supplies (mental and dental H. facilities, ambulance, labs, nursing homes)
	VIII	Pharmacy facilities - supply
183	IIIA2e	
	IXC	Occupational employees only
184	IIIAle	
	VIA	
185	IIb1	
	IIb2	
	IIIB1c	
186	IVC2	
	VIIc2	
187	IAle	
	IXE	Maldistribution
188	IIIB	
	XIB	
189	IAle	Naturopaths
	IA1c	Naturopaths
190	IIIES	Services - blind
	IIIF3	Services - blind
191	IIc1	
	IXA	
192	IIIG4	
	IXD	Maldistribution of U.S. Pop.

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230		Local rural dev. prob. areas
231		
232		Problems in researching in rural areas
208	IVAla IVB1a	
209	IIA IIG1 IIG2 IIG5 IVA VIIA VIIb XIA VIIb XIA IA1a IIIA2a IIIA2c VIA1 VIIC1 IXE VIIC XIA IA1a IIF2 IVC VIA1 XE IIAlc IVA1 VIID5 IIF2 VIA2 IA3a IA3c IA1a VIA1 IIE5 IIG4 IVA5a	
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213		Doctor shortages
214		Physicians
215		Helicop. ambulance serv. Helicop. ambulance serv. Helicop. ambulance serv. Retirement community Retirement community Retirement community
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218		Podiatrists Podiatrists
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220		Prehospital coronary care Prehospital coronary care

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246	IA1a	
247	IA1b	
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248	VIIID1	
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249	IVASa	In the field h. services
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250	IVA1	
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251	IIIIA1c	
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252	IIG3	
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253	IIIIA1b	
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255	IVASa	
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256	IVASa	
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257	IVASa	
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258	IIG4	
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259	IVA1a	
	IVA1b	
	VA1	
	VA2	
233	VIIA	
	VIIID1	
	VIIID4	
	IXE	
234	IVC3	Community organization and health
	VIA	Transfer payment to rural poor
235	IA1a	
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	VIIIB	
	VIIID4	
	VIIIE2	
236	IXE	
	IIID	
237	VIIID2	
	IVB1	
238	IVB3	
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239	VIIIB	
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240	IIA1c	
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241	IA1a	
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242	IA1a	
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244	VA1	
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	IVC2	

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271	271	IIIA1g	IA1a	
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272	272	IA2b	IIA	
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273	273	IIIE1	IIIG1	
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274	274	IIID3	IIIG5	
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275	275	IIA1c	VIIE2	
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276	276	IVA2	IIA	
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278	278	VIID2	IA1b	
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282	282	IIA1d	IIID	
		IIIB1c	IIH	Mobile coronary care unit
		IXA	VIE	Mobile coronary care unit
283	283	IIA1d		
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